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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 24, 2000

APPLICATION OF

POWERTRUST.COM, INC.

CASE NO. PUE000481

For a license to conduct
business as an aggregator

and

POWERTRUST ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

CASE NO. PUE000576

For licenses to conduct
business as an aggregator
and as a natural gas
competitive service provider

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT

On October 16, 2000, PowerTrust.com, Inc.

("PowerTrust.com"), filed an application for licensure to conduct business as an aggregator in the natural gas retail access pilot programs that have been approved by this Commission. PowerTrust.com intends to serve eligible customers participating in the natural gas retail access pilot programs of Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc. ("CGV"), and Washington Gas Light Company ("WGL").

On October 16, 2000, PowerTrust Energy Services, Inc.

("PowerTrust Energy"), also filed an application for licensure to conduct business as a competitive service provider and

aggregator in the natural gas retail access pilot programs. PowerTrust Energy intends to serve residential and small business customers participating in the natural gas retail access pilot programs of CGV and WGL.

On September 25, 2000, PowerTrust.com and PowerTrust Energy filed a motion requesting a waiver of the Commission's Interim Rules Governing Electric and Natural Gas Retail Access Pilot Programs ("Interim Rules"), 20 VAC 5-311-60 B. Pursuant to a Commission Order entered on October 19, 2000, the Commission granted PowerTrust.com and PowerTrust Energy a waiver and extended the time for filing applications for licensure until December 1, 2000.

Having considered the above-referenced Order and applications we deem such applications filed for purposes of § 56-235.8 F. 1 on October 19, 2000. We will consider PowerTrust Energy's application in a separate proceeding, Case No. PUE000576. We also will direct PowerTrust.com to give notice of its application and provide the public with an opportunity for comment.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The application of PowerTrust.com, Inc. ("Applicant") to act as an aggregator is hereby accepted for filing in this proceeding.

(2) PowerTrust Energy's application shall be considered in a separate proceeding, Case No. PUE000576.

(3) A copy of PowerTrust.com's application and supporting documents shall be available for inspection in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Commission business days.

(4) Any interested person may request a copy of the application, accompanying materials, and this Order by directing a request in writing to the Applicant's counsel, Robert F. Riley, Esquire, Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins, The Farragut Building, 900 17th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20006. The Applicant shall, within three (3) days of receipt of the request, serve the requested documents upon the person making such request.

(5) On or before November 3, 2000, PowerTrust.com shall cause to be published the following notice on one (1) occasion as classified advertising in newspapers of general circulation within the geographical areas approved by the Commission for each pilot program in which the Applicant seeks to participate:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY
POWERTRUST.COM, INC., TO CONDUCT BUSINESS AS
AN AGGREGATOR IN THE NATURAL GAS RETAIL
ACCESS PILOT PROGRAMS
CASE NO. PUE000481

On October 19, 2000, PowerTrust.com, Inc. ("PowerTrust.com"), completed an application with the State Corporation Commission for a license to conduct business as an aggregator in the natural gas retail access pilot programs being conducted in the Commonwealth and approved by the SCC. PowerTrust.com intends to serve eligible customers participating in the natural gas retail access pilot programs of Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., and Washington Gas Light Company.

A copy of the application is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Copies can be ordered from the Applicant's counsel, Robert F. Riley, Esquire, Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins, The Farragut Building, 900 17th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20006.

Any person desiring to comment in writing on PowerTrust.com's application may do so by filing an original and five (5) copies of such comments by November 15, 2000, with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Comments must refer to Case No. PUE000481. A copy of such comments simultaneously shall be sent to Applicant's counsel, Robert F. Riley, Esquire, Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins, The Farragut Building, 900 17th Street, N.W. Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20006.

POWERTRUST.COM, INC.

(6) An original and five (5) copies of any comments on the application may be filed by November 15, 2000, with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. Comments on PowerTrust.com's application must refer to Case No. PUE000481. A copy of such comments also must simultaneously be served by first-class mail, or hand-delivered, to counsel for Applicant, Robert F. Riley, Esquire, Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins, The Farragut Building, 900 17th Street, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20006.

(7) The Commission Staff shall investigate the application and shall present its findings in a Staff report to be filed on or before November 17, 2000.

(8) On or before November 23, 2000, PowerTrust.com shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any response it may have to the Staff report and to any filed comments, and shall serve a copy of its response on counsel for the Commission Staff and any person(s) submitting comments. Service shall be sent by such method that ensures that the response is received by November 23, 2000.

(9) Due to the time-sensitive nature of this proceeding, PowerTrust.com shall respond to written interrogatories or data requests within three (3) business days after the receipt of the

same. Interrogatories and data requests, as well as the responses thereto, shall be transmitted via facsimile as well as by first-class mail. Except as modified herein, discovery shall be in accordance with Part VI of the Commission's Rules of practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-10-450 to -510.

(10) On or before November 15, 2000, PowerTrust.com shall file with the Clerk of the Commission proof of the notice required in ordering paragraph (5).

(11) This matter is continued generally.